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## **CURRENT TRENDS IN AVIATION-RELATED LIABILITY: A PRACTICAL APPROACH**

**E**ACH SPRING, for the past seven years, THE JOURNAL OF AIR LAW AND COMMERCE has sponsored a Symposium on a topic pertaining to aviation or air law. During the Spring of 1973 the Symposium topic was "Current Trends in Airport Liability and General Aviation" which focused on four areas of liability: (i) government liability; (ii) criminal liability; (iii) civil liability; and (iv) insuring the risks of these various areas of liability. A distinguished group of speakers from all parts of the United States made presentations and addressed the Symposium audience making it a successful and highly educational experience.

With the remarkable increase in the use and attendant legal problems of private aircraft during the past few years, few practicing attorneys can afford not to have a working knowledge of the complex issues emanating from aviation litigation. Therefore, the agenda for the 1973 Symposium was open to a wide cross-section of ideas, with much emphasis placed on discussion by the delegates in attendance. As has been the custom of this JOURNAL, this issue has been devoted to a number of articles based upon the presentations at the Symposium, and although they do not encompass each discussion presented, they are representative of the various topics considered and acquaint the reader with the general areas and vital data necessary to have a basic knowledge of a variety of aviation law problems facing attorneys today.

THE EDITORS



# **Selected Symposium Presentations**

